

MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Caveman Timber Sale, Agreement No. 30-076316 and Forest Practices Application No. 2910533. This is an even-aged harvest of 262 acres in 5 units, with approximately 8,800 feet of temporary roads, 1,100 feet of road maintenance, and 8,800 feet of road abandonment.

Description of mitigation: The following mitigation measures will be implemented with this proposal:

- > No activity will occur within 167 feet along seven type-3 streams, within 100 feet along one type-4 stream and within 167 feet around 1 type A wetland.
- > There will be a minimum of 2,374 leave trees, consisting of Douglas fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, red alder, and big leaf maple for green tree and snag recruitment.
- > The road system for this proposal through analyzing, designing, and constructing should minimize adverse effects on the environment.
- > Scattered leave trees and clumps will be left adjacent to the Tarbell Recreation Trail to reduce the overall visual impact of the proposed activity.
- > The following measures will be accomplished during logging operations to reduce or control impacts on recreation to the Tarbell Recreation Trail:
 - No yarding will be allowed across the Tarbell Trail.
 - Trees will be felled away from the trail.
 - No tops, limbs or other slash will be left within 25' of the trail and day use area.
 - Where damaged, the trail will be repaired to pre-harvest conditions within 10 days of completion of harvest activities.
 - Lookouts will be required when timber falling takes place within 200 feet of the trail and day use
 - Warning signs will be required where yarding activity takes place within 200 feet of the trail and day use area.
 - The trail will remain in a usable condition at the end of each workday.
 - No activities will occur in Unit 1 on weekends or state recognized holidays from July 1 through Labor Day weekend.
- Leaving riparian management zones described above will protect potential salmonid habitat.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources

Location of proposal: Sections 34, 35, 36, Township 4 North, Range 4 East, W.M., approximately 21 miles by road, east of Battle Ground, off SR-503, the Rock Creek, 152nd Ave, Lucia Falls, Sunset Falls, Dole Valley, and L-1100 roads in Clark County, Washington.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources

decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.
[] There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.
[X] This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from September 24, 2004. Comments must be submitted by October 8, 2004.
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There is no agency SEPA appeal.

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This